

Comment From Columbia

By Henry W. Patterson.

Dear Alma Mater: May I introduce myself? Many of you know me already, but perhaps others will wonder about this eccentric who presumes to have the ability to write a column. Well, he was rudely awakened from a four-year sleep last May when a man with a black-moustache wearing a cassock and gown tapped him none too gently over the head with a blunt instrument. He found himself wandering around with a sheepskin in his and even less in his brain. But he had always had an idea picked up somewhere second-hand that he would like to study the gentle art of journalism; and so, with this absurd notion still in his head, he set about the task of convincing the boys up in Ottawa that they must permit him to buy the necessary American funds from his bank. After weeks of worry and dreary battle, he emerged victorious, and grabbing an old toothbrush, he hopped a train for New York City.

What Americans Think

American opinion on the war question seems to be divided. There is much confusion in the national mind—everyone is groping for a personal solution to the social crisis. Most thoughtful citizens now recognize the existence of a crisis, though the process by which they came to this realization was slow and painful. There have been many interesting letters published in the New York newspapers dealing with the present position of the country, most of them advocating more action. Here are a few excerpts: "Americans in radio forums and in other discussion-groups argue that the thugs (Hitler, Mussolini, and Hirohito) will let us alone if we just let them alone. And that anyway we can still have fun in our own backyard if we mind our own business and hand over peacefully our world influence." "If we came out openly as an ally of Britain, we should no longer have to worry about 'what if England loses'." For any nation that can hold out alone as she has done will surely not lose with the added strength of our aid." Another writes: "Appeasement involves certain death to our nation; opposition offers only the chance of death, as well as a chance to preserve the deencies of life."

Summarily we can say that the question is whether it is better to enter the struggle actively now, or to hold back, reasoning that, even if Britain loses, democracy can survive in America.

I cover the Fair

Last Friday morning each member of the class dragged himself out of bed at an ungodly hour, and with sleep still hanging in his eyes, set out for the Fair Grounds via the Seventh Avenue subway and the Pennsylvania R.R. Upon gaining consciousness I gazed out upon a rapidly passing panorama of streets, smoke, and shabbiness.

At the Administration Building each chest swelled with synthetic pride as press passes were handed out. Waving these bits of printed matter, we pushed jauntily through creaking turnstiles into a land of make-believe. And indeed, the sights to be seen there can transport one into another world, with very little use of the imagination.

Assignments ranged from a personal interview with Borden's famous milk-producer Boulton to a backstage coverage of the Aquacade. Billy Rose's swimming show. A reporter has to learn to be versatile as one unfortunate learned when he was assigned to the Turkish exhibit. There, after a bout of sign-language with an ex-dervish, he found out that the only one who could speak much English was

Around the Globe

European News: October 15—300 German tanks, with fighter and bomber planes, rushed to Soviet border at Galati; 10 German army corps reported on march to East. . . H.M.S. Ajax sinks 3 Italian destroyers in fight with eight ships off Sicily. . . Nazi Oil plant left in flames by R.A.F. bombs; Berlin also bombed. . . Soviet-Turkey Military pact is reported under discussion.

Canadian News: October 15.—U.S. allot fund to begin tests for power projects at International Rapids. . . Prime Minister Mackenzie King consults with Governor-General at Quebec; begins tour of inspection of Eastern defences. . . War games Sunday will feature invasion of Montreal by many troops. . . Means to foster tourist influx discussed at Ottawa conference. . .

ARTS NOMINATIONS CLOSE 2 P.M. TODAY

Deadline for nominations of officers in all years of Arts and Science has been extended until 2 p.m. to-day, it was announced last night.

"We must have more nominations to guarantee a successful election for the three positions in all years," stated a member of the Executive yesterday. "So far all classes have been lethargic about handing in nominations, and many more are needed before elections can be held."

All nominations must be signed by at least ten members of the class to which the nominee belongs and handed into either Secretary Alex Scrimger or Bill Gentlemen. Elections are to be held on Monday, October 21st.

CO-EDS TRAIN FOR WAR WORK

Registration in R.V.C. Today and Tomorrow

Newcomers Must Take X-Rays in Sir Arthur Currie Gymnasium

The co-ed physical training scheme has been definitely arranged. In addition to their two hours a week of first aid and home nursing, McGill women will devote a similar length of time to physical exercise.

Registration for the Required Physical Activity program will take place in the office of the Physical Education Department at R.V.C. Third and fourth year students will register today, while first and second year students will make their arrangements tomorrow. Any students not provided for in the above should report to-day. Those who are physically unfit are not affected by the above training program.

All first year students, all students coming to the University for the first time, and any student who has not previously had a chest X-ray at McGill are reminded by Miss Munro, Assistant Physical Education Director, that X-rays are to be taken today and tomorrow in the Sir Arthur Currie Memorial Gymnasium. Appointment hours are listed on the Physical Education Notice Board in R.V.C. and co-eds are required to sign for appointments.

DAILY PARTY CHANGED

First Meeting to Take Place Friday

Owing to the R.V.C. Freshies gathering tomorrow night, the Daily Meeting is being postponed until Friday evening. The event will be held in the Union Grill Room at 8 o'clock.

All those new to the staff or those who intend to join are invited to attend the managing board announced, as the production of the paper will be explained to them. They will also have the opportunity of meeting the other members. The meeting will be followed by an informal dance and refreshments.

CHANGING COURSES

Courses may be changed until Friday, October 18th, but not afterwards. Students will not be admitted to examinations in courses in which they are not properly registered. Failure to register at this time will result in failure to receive credit for the course.

CYRUS MACMILLAN, Dean, Faculty of Arts and Science.

HONORARY PRESIDENT



THE HON. DR. CYRUS MACMILLAN, M.P., Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Science, who has accepted the position of Honorary President of the Arts Undergraduate Society, it was announced last night.

DR. MACMILLAN HEADS SOCIETY

Office Formerly Held by Dr. Hendel

Executive Is Looking Forward to Successful Year

Dr. Cyrus L. Macmillan, Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Science has accepted the post of Honorary President of the Arts Undergraduate Society, it was announced yesterday.

"It is with a great deal of pleasure that we announce that the Hon. Dr. Cyrus Macmillan, M.P., Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Science, has kindly consented to accept the post of Honorary President of the Arts Undergraduate Society," Robert A. Spencer, President of the Society, stated last night. "We are particularly pleased that Dr. Macmillan has accepted the position in view of the fact that he is occupied with so many important duties. We are looking forward to a successful year with Dr. Macmillan to counsel and aid us."

Dr. Macmillan succeeds Dr. Hendel, former Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Science at McGill and now at Yale University. By virtue of accepting this office, Dr. Macmillan carries on the tradition that the post of Honorary President of the Society be filled by the Dean of Arts and Science. Membership into this Society is open to all students in the Faculty of Arts and Science.

S.C.M. GROUP TO MEET TOMORROW

Professor Cragg to Discuss Christian Belief

"What do we believe?" will be the topic of the first forum discussion of the S.C.M. to be held tomorrow at 5 p.m. in Strathcona Hall. These discussions, which are to be held regularly from now until Christmas, will be under the leadership of Professor Gerald Cragg of the United Theological College. The executive invites everyone interested to attend.

Professor Cragg proposes to consider the central themes of Christian belief in the light of the various backgrounds and ineptly tenets of thought of University students. Opportunity will be given for questions and group discussion.

Other Groups Meet

The first weekly study group on "Personal Psychology" will meet tonight at 7:15 p.m. in Strathcona Hall. This group, led by Dr. Donald Ross of the McGill Neurology Department, will treat of the everyday aspect of psychology, with particular reference to Dr. Kunkel's book, "How Personality Develops." This group is one of six such groups sponsored by the S.C.M. to be held weekly during the first half-term. Information concerning these groups may be obtained at Strathcona Hall.

Student Chapel Service

The service has been postponed for a week. The next service will take place on Sunday the twentieth.

SIROIS REPORT TALK GIVEN BY PROF. L. MARSH

Addresses St. James Literary Society

STRESSES IMPORTANCE

McGill Professor Discusses Findings on Dominion-Provincial Relations

Declaring the Rowell-Sirois Commission report to be the most important Canadian undertaking since Confederation itself, Professor Leonard C. Marsh addressed the third weekly meeting of the St. James Literary Society last night upon the manifestations and potentialities of the report.

"This report can very well become the 20th century basis for re-confederation," stated Professor Marsh, who is Director of the School of Social Research at McGill University, "for its three main aspects are the bricks for the building of a new national unity."

Report Is Synopsized

Synopsizing the voluminous report which occupies thirty-one volumes, he discussed each of these three aspects individually. Financial difficulties are to be alleviated and the present chaos untroubled by the transfer of all Provincial "dead-weight" debt to the Dominion, and by the future backing by the Dominion of Provincial loans. In return the exclusive right to levy such taxes as income tax, corporation tax, and succession duties shall be vested in the Federal Government. Such taxes constitute the main source of income at the present time.

The second of the three divisions consisted of Social Services, and Professor Marsh discussed the Commission's opinions upon the degree of responsibility to be assumed by the Federal, Provincial and Municipal governments.

Government Co-Ordination, the last of the divisions, was stressed by the speaker. Under this head, he mentioned the suggestion of the report to re-assign responsibilities, to institute a permanent Finance Commission for the purpose of regulating provincial loans, and to appoint an Annual Dominion-Provincial Conference on a permanent basis.

Warlike Adoption Important

"If the adoption of the report is (Continued on Page Four)

Sports Day

The University Sports will be held on Friday, 18th of October. The regular lectures and parades in all Faculties and Schools will be cancelled on that day. The evening Acrobatic and Extension Lectures will be given as usual.

T. H. MATTHEWS, Registrar.

Rude Life on Rocks of Labrador Described By Grenfell Assistant

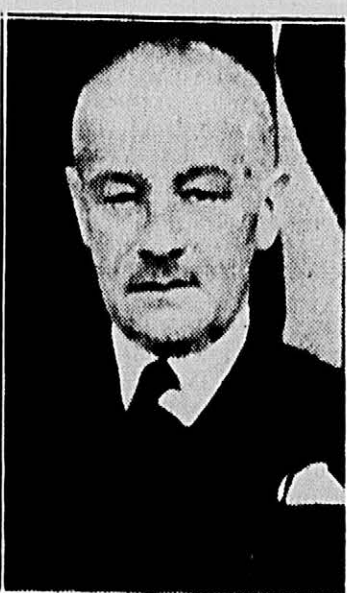
By E. H.

"This is the place where they give you new eyes."

That was what the Sir Wilfred Grenfell Mission meant to an old Labradorer, according to David Ashdown, first year medical student, who worked on the hospital schooner the summer before last. But the mission is far more than a hospital, says Ashdown. It is the centre and fountain of all community life. Through its influence the villages of Labrador and Newfoundland have changed from isolated stations in which people lived like animals on the proceeds of old-fashioned net-fishing, ill-fed, unclothed, uncultured, without churches, schools, or doctors. They are now centres, still without strong connections with the outside world, but with well-developed community life, flourishing crafts, and roughly-built chapels with taut fish-skins in place of stained glass.

When the mission boat puts into one of these little ports, everyone boards the fishing dories, and soon the ship swarms with everyone suffering from any ailment, as well as those who come aboard merely to visit and perhaps to join in the

DIED YESTERDAY



PROFESSOR RENE DU ROURE, head of the French Department and for many years a prominent figure in French educational circles of Canada, who died suddenly yesterday in his 60th year.

A TRIBUTE

Rene duRoure is one of the casualties that have resulted from the German occupation of France. Those who have known him well saw, during the last few months, the terrible depression that had come upon him whenever he thought of the country that he loved so dearly, the country that he had defended valiantly from 1914-1919.

France was a spiritual home, forever present in his thoughts, and he brought to colleagues and students at McGill an enthusiasm for all those things that are the heritage of his country. We shall miss him greatly, since his military service with the French army during the World War constituted the only interruption of a career at McGill that stretches back to 1912. In treasuring the memory of a delightful personality, we shall remember vividly the patriot who died because his heart was broken.

—F. CYRIL JAMES

McGill Grad of Burma To Attend Open House

An S.C.M. Open House will be held this Sunday at 8:30 p.m., immediately following the Chapel Service, Murray Brooks, the Secretary of the Montreal Y.M.C.A., will speak at the Chapel Service and will introduce the new S.C.M. hymn book. At the Open House he is expected to lead the sing-song.

Brooks, who is a McGill graduate, has quite a remarkable past. After spending several years in India working for the Y.M.C.A., he returned to Canada, and was Secretary of the McGill branch of the S.C.M. from 1934 to 1938. He spent his next two years in Rangoon, Burma (of Burma Road fame) still working for the Y.M.C.A., and returned to Montreal this year.

PROF. DUROURE DIES SUDDENLY IN 60TH YEAR

Headed French Department Here Since 1922

WOUNDED IN LAST WAR

Widely Known as Director of McGill French Summer School

Professor Rene duRoure, head of the department of French language and literature at McGill, and director of the McGill French Summer School, died suddenly yesterday at his home, in his 60th year. It is believed that the collapse of France came as a severe blow to him, hastening his end.

Professor duRoure had been attached to the French department of the university since 1922. He was first invited to McGill in 1912, after a period of teaching at the University of Laval. After serving in the French Army during the World War, he returned to McGill in 1919 and three years later was appointed by Sir Arthur Currie to head the French department. From this time his work, including the Summer School, became prominent at McGill.

Widely Known as Lecturer

He was extremely successful in his direction of the French Summer School which drew students from all parts of the United States and Canada. He was widely known in this country and across the border as a lecturer, and was extremely popular with both French speaking and English speaking groups in this city. He was a member of the Montreal Club and the Hermitage club.

A French man of letters and a soldier, he was born at Versailles in 1881, the son of Edouard du-

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LITERATURE CLUB STAGES COME-BACK

All Students Eligible for Thursday's Meeting in Union Grill

The Literature Society will commence the 1940-41 season with an organization meeting in the Union Grill Room on Thursday, October 17, at 5 p.m.

All students, including first year students, are eligible to join this society. The discussions are usually led by Honour Students in English, and others interested in literature generally.

"The Literature Society features discussions of all forms of literature, not neglecting the basic English 2, nor scorning the lowly detective and western thrillers," an official of the society said. "Its work is at once helpful and complementary to the regular English courses."

Last year, the Literature Society died an untimely death for some reason not yet diagnosed. The meeting called for Thursday is by way of revival. Phyllis Buckingham will be in charge of the proceedings.

OFFICERS ELECTED

Education II Class Makes Plans for Year

Elections were held and plans for the coming year drawn up at a meeting of the Education II class held yesterday at the offices of the Protestant Board of School Commissioners.

Those elected were: President: John Dando. Vice-President: Mary Stewart. Treasurer: Robert W. Peartman. Secretary: J. Stuart Polson. These officers will hold office for the session 1940-41.

Engineers

Nominations are being called for all class officers of all years in Engineering. 10 signatures are required for each nomination.

ENG. NOMINATION DEADLINE TOMORROW

Nominations for Engineering Faculty representatives must be handed in by tomorrow morning to Fred Barton, janitor of the Engineering Building. Voting will take place on Monday the 21st.

Only third year students have the right to nominate candidates for the positions of secretary and treasurer, which must have at least twenty-five signatures on nomination forms. Freshmen are asked to acquaint themselves with each other and to cast their ballots accordingly. The date of the elections has been intentionally retarded for this purpose.

FRESHIES WILL DINE AND DANCE

Blake Sewell Will Provide Music

Tickets Go on Sale Toward End of the Week

The Freshman-Freshette Dinner and Dance will take place at the McGill Union on Wednesday evening, October 23, under the sponsorship of the Freshman Reception Committee of the Student's Executive Council, the Women's Union, the Art's Undergraduate Society, and the Union House Committee.

The Art's Undergraduate Society are hosts for the Freshman Dinner, the Women's Union for the Freshette Dinner, and the Union House Committee for the Dance. The Dinner for the Freshettes will be held in the Grill, and for the Freshmen in the Cafeteria; entertainment will be provided for the Freshettes during the Dinner. There will be dancing to the music of Blake Sewell and his orchestra in the Ballroom. The ping-pong room and the Reading Room are available for 'sitting out.'

Tickets will be available shortly at the Tuck Shop and Bill Gentlemen's Office, from members of the Freshman Reception Committee, officers of the Women's Union, and Art's Undergraduates Society. Freshettes may also obtain tickets from R.V.C. first year Class Executives.

Freshmen, Freshettes and all Newcomers to the University, are invited by the committee to attend.

FIRST MAC MEETING PLANNED FOR SUNDAY

The opening meeting of the Macabean Circle will take place this Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, in Strathcona Hall. All Jewish freshmen and upper-classmen, co-eds and men students will be welcome to attend, and it is hoped that there will be a good turnout, the president announced. New students will meet old ones in an informal atmosphere, and the general program of the Macabean Circle will be outlined, it was stated.

Past presidents and alumni will bring greetings, and Dr. Norman Viner, Honorary President of the Circle, will address the gathering. At five o'clock the meeting will adjourn to the Pitt, where refreshments will be served.

ELECTION RESULTS

R.V.C. Freshettes Vote for Class Executive

The Freshettes of R.V.C. elected their officers today in a fashion new to the campus. Instead of voting by ballot, the nomination lists were collected at the door of Moyses Hall at the beginning of the English 2 lecture, and at the end of the period, the votes were taken by a show of hands. Janet Hamilton was elected as president; Barbara Campbell as vice-president; Nancy Taylor as secretary-treasurer; and Mary Holden as athletic representative.

Around the Campus

Arts nominations close 2 p.m. today. . . Engineering nominations close 2 p.m. tomorrow. . . All co-eds MUST register for war-work training in R.V.C. third and fourth years today, first and second tomorrow. . . Friday is a busy day: Sports day during the sunlit hours during which time all lectures are cancelled, while the night-cap is the Daily Meeting in the Union Grill Room at 8 p.m. . . The opening meeting of the Mac Circle will be held at Strathcona Hall on Sunday at 3, and the S.C.M. will hold an open house Sunday evening.

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Freedom of the Press

Casual readers of the downtown press were startled out of their complacency last week by advertisements, feature spreads and editorials that thundered a bold and vigorous message: "A people kept in ignorance is a people enslaved; a free press is democracy's first line of defence." These were brave words for a wartime Canada. The newspapers had a message to convey and their broadside attack was too concerted to be ignored. For the gentlemen of the Fourth Estate have very definite ideas about unfettered thought. When a London journalist with bombs whistling overhead wrote: "We can probably beat Hitler — if we can beat Duff Cooper," he drove home to sluggish minds a principle as enduring as London under bombardment.

The President of Columbia University, Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, in a statement to Editor and Publisher made the pertinent observation that... "Nothing could possibly emphasize more strongly the vital importance of a free press than the absence of any free press to-day in a majority of nations in this modern world." Eternal verities, but oh, how soon forgotten.

The battle London newspapers are waging on the high-handed administration of Duff Cooper's Information Ministry provides an object lesson in courage buttressed by conviction. The lesson that was the keynote of National Press Week in America is a matter of life and death necessity to any democracy whether as yet embroiled in the war or not.

If we make a totalitarian war out of this total war our cause is lost, regardless of the military outcome. The time for heart-searching is long past due. Our way of life has been based on truth and honesty for all. It is clear that the embattled British people are not afraid to hear the truth. This time-honoured right must not be denied them.

This war, if it is a defense of a finer way of life must not stoop to the enemy's methods. Let us have the truth!

Prof. Rene duRoure

McGill lost the services of the head of its department of French language and literature and director of its French Summer School with the death yesterday of Rene duRoure in his sixtieth year. Professor duRoure will be sadly missed by his friends at McGill, both students and staff having grown very fond of him during his many years at the university. An ardent French patriot, the collapse of France before the German hordes hastened his sad and premature end, his chief regret being that he was unable to return and join actively in the defence of his homeland.

The French Summer School which he directed, attracted students from all parts of Canada and the United States and under his capable leadership developed rapidly. The department of French, of which he was the head, is one of the most popular at the university. His work will indeed be sadly missed.

Not About Men?

By H. B.
Visiting the Redpath Library the few times we have, so far this year, has made us realize how difficult it is being a senior. Somehow there seems to be more new faces around this fall than ever before. Where are the old-timers of yesterday?—mere shades of the past. We have felt very much like Diogenes, who went about with his lantern looking for an honest man. In our case, it has been nothing so drastic. We're merely searching for a familiar face, among a litter of new countenances, plump and lean.

Cocods here at McGill had the opportunity last week of meeting the first lady of Canada, Princess Alice, wife of the Governor-General, when she visited the University. The Princess, with her black gown and tall stately figure, might well be said to be an inspiration to the girls of Canada, symbolizing, as she does, the height of gracefulness and charm. As one cocod expressed it—"When I saw the Princess walking so gracefully up the stairs, I felt the curvature in my spine unwillingly come out of its groove."

We read somewhere recently that college women are supposed to make the best wives. Apparently, if the husband is a college man himself, studying for a Ph.D., this is particularly so. For as one newcomer to McGill stated in his class last week, "When Hubby studies for a Ph.D., poor wifey gets a Ph.D.—Pushing Hubby Through." The lesson to this, we suppose, is—don't marry a man who has degrees on his mind.

There seems to be a new fad this year among cocods. Probably it was the appearance of a certain noted couturiere in Montreal not so long ago that inspired them with the notion of modelling. At any rate, at a fashion show, held at Eaton's last Friday, we hear that the McGill girls demonstrated their ability very neatly in the art of walking up and down, swaying and smiling. In other words, the cocods showed that there are arts to be acquired outside a straight arts course.

The second day of College, we overheard this one and completely forgot about it for a while. One cocod, sporting a green bow, turned excitedly to her companion, also with a green bow, and said "As soon as I deposit my grips at R.M.C., then I'll get to work." We can imagine how well R.M.C. would like that.

The theatre from afar holds glamour; somehow when viewed from near, the glamour is dissipated, but something very human and vital takes its place. We have always considered Francis Lederer to be a movie hero in the full sense of the word, with all that added dash and charm that so becomes one in his world. We were pleasantly surprised to find him, at a recent interview, an exceedingly normal young man, interested in his work and the theatre generally.

He couldn't understand what a woman's editor would want with a story about him; said he thought such creatures only wrote about women. On the contrary, we assured him, women editors wrote about that which interested women—which, he admitted, is a different thing altogether. In the midst of this simple interview, which took place in his dressing-room after the performance of "Autumn Crocus," he walked S. Morgan Powell and several other newspapermen, turning it into a regular press meeting, which continued on into the wee hours of the morning.



WHAT GERMANY FORGOT by James T. Shotwell; The Macmillan Co., New York, 1940; pp. 152.

Mr. Shotwell has written a book which should be read with care and attention. It is a comprehensive study of the economic problems involved in the last war. It goes below the surface and addresses itself to the economist and the historian in search of generally unknown knowledge rather than of a more superficial understanding of the problem. Mr. Shotwell has the gift of asking the right questions and the right way of setting to work in order to answer them.

Professor Shotwell holds that most of Germany's troubles during the last two decades resulted from the War rather than the Treaty of Versailles. "Nazi Germany fed upon the discontent which was concentrated upon the Treaty of Versailles, but its origins lay in the wartime mobilization of Germany's strength for war purposes in 1917." Some readers may feel that the treaty and the attempts to enforce its provisions (e.g. Poincare's invasion of the Ruhr) were not without blame. Nevertheless, Professor Shotwell's thesis is not a defence of the treaty, of sections of which he has been critical, but a corrective to loose talk and writing now current not only in pro-Nazi quarters but among sentimental liberals and pacifists.

Mr. Shotwell, in discussing the origins of the World War, and of wars in general, is of

Entering into every phase of university life, Prof. duRoure was a familiar figure at all Intercollegiate sporting activities. How well we can remember him at the football games—cheering, shouting, playing for all he was worth. The one consolation in his unhappy end is the fact that he died as he would have wanted to—at work and in harness.

the opinion that they are the result of blunders committed by statesmen. He completely ignores the fact that wars are overt conflicts of power, and that economic power is fundamental in the social process. The part played by economic factors in the causation of war is, then, more normally an indirect one; but it is nonetheless effective for that. Let us take the case of the German industrialists who, according to Professor Shotwell's own admission, subscribed to Nazi party funds. It may be presumed that they knew their own business. Peace and social democracy were thoroughly bad for the capitalist of German heavy industry; they were being ruined by it. The Nazi victory saved them. Armaments and the heavy industry boomed, and they prospered. It may be that they were not envisaging war, or deliberately planning it; that only happened as a consequence. The occasions of wars will naturally be political or diplomatic in character — demands upon Serbia, upon Poland, etc., but that does not mean that war is not the consequence of conflicts in social structures of certain kinds, economic in character.

Despite this, the book is of value to the student of the World War. It is well and simply written, and to the point. The problems stand clearly delineated against their historical background. Even if its theoretical digressions raise more questions than they attempt to answer, it is at least a good introduction to a study of German economic and social conditions since 1914. —M. L.

CANADA YEAR BOOK. Published by the King's Printer, Ottawa; \$1.50. (Student price 80 cents.)

Announcement was recently made of the publication of the 1940 edition of the Canada Year Book by authorization of the Hon. James A. Mackinnon, Minister of Trade and Commerce. Now offered for purchase by the King's Printer in Ottawa, the Canada Year Book is the official statistical annual of the country and contains a thoroughly up-to-date account of the natural resources of the Dominion and their development, the history of the country, its institutions, its demography, the different branches of production, trade, transportation, finance, education, etc. — in brief, a comprehensive study within a single volume of the social and economic condition of the Dominion.

With over 1,200 pages, the Canada Year Book gives an illuminating picture in figures of the remarkable progress which this country has made since the first Dominion census in 1871, sixty-eight years ago. The volume is not restricted to statistical tabulations alone and there are many articles on all phases of the national and industrial life of the country.

The main part of the Year Book extends to thirty chapters among which are important new additional features. Included are: detailed accounts of Canada's War Effort; a review of economic conditions of the Dominion; a summary of the principal recommendations of the Sirois Commission; information of the Dominion election of this year; Canada's Mineral resources; and special articles on the Royal Canadian Mint, Insurance and many other topics.

In the present edition, a complete list of special articles and of significant historical or descriptive text that has not been subject to wide change and is therefore not repeated, is given following the Table of Contents. This list links the 1939 Year Book with its predecessors and indicates the extent to which the Year Books must now be regarded as a series of publications rather than as a single volume.

Persons requiring the Year Book may obtain it from the King's Printer, Ottawa, as long as the supply lasts, at the price of \$1.50, which covers merely the cost of paper, printing and binding. By a special concession, a limited number of paper-bound copies have been set aside for ministers of religion, bona fide students and school teachers, who may obtain copies for 50 cents each. —J. L. G.

ODD VERSE

SONNET

(Written during a rainfall, Midnight, 10 September, 1939.)

When skies are grey and clouds are low,
And streets display a spattered glow,
And raindrops make the only sound,
And night has slowly gathered 'round,
I love to sit in solitude
And feel a melancholy mood
Descend on me.

Yet I am never lonesome then,
For often I grow tired of men
And seek sublimer company—
And when the raindrops speak to me,
The peace that reigns within my soul
Is more than I could e'er extol
With poetry.

—L. B.

A compositor, out of work, secured a job as a waiter. One of his first customers, whom he served with soup, called him back and said: "Waiter, there's a button in this soup."

"Very sorry, sir," said the waiter. "Printer's error. Should be mutton."

—The Gateway.

"No, Tommy," said his mother, "one piece is quite enough for you."

"It's funny," responded Tommy with an injured air; "you say you are anxious that I should learn to eat properly, and yet you won't give me a chance to practice."

—The Gateway.

"Why do you want such a big sink?" asked the plumber. "Well," explained the man who was building a new house, "when my wife leaves in the summer, she's generally gone a month."

—The Gateway.

Heads and Tales

By Hecht

Sophist-Cat

Her grey hair bobbed up and down as she fiddled. She and the pianist were playing the Rye Waltz. As I danced I watched this sixty-five year old woman. I had never seen a person of her age playing with such abandon, and well, too.

"Who is she?" I asked my companion.
"Some old farmer woman," my partner replied. The statement seemed a bit raw. I had heard of this snobbish attitude towards farmers but had never really experienced it. The waltz ended. The caller announced formations for a square dance.

I turned to my partner. "Shall we get into a square?"
"It's so rural," she replied.

"I've been doing it for the last few nights," I said.

"You'll soon be a regular farmer," came reply.

All I know about farming is what I read in the papers, but when a would-be sophisticate acts as if a farmer were as low as the dirt on his hand, I don't like it. There's snobbery afoot. I picked up some farm girl at the dance and we got into a square. We were off.

"Ladies in the centre and the gents walk around."

The chap behind me was talking to me.

"Heard that conversation of yours before the dance," he said.
"Oh," I replied, not knowing what to say.

"How about coming over to my farm tomorrow. I'd like to show you around?"

"Thanks."

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I spent the next day at this lad's farm. Saw the whole works. I learned how to milk a cow, and would have done some milking, but my speed would have thrown the whole schedule out of gear. I can imagine the cow turning to look at me and muttering, "Damn amateur!"

There was a young fellow about fourteen, recently from England, on the place. He had baked a cake that afternoon and it was to be a special treat at supper. Everybody sat down at the table for the meal. There was the old farmer, ruined by rheumatism, who walked about on homemade crutches; the mother, as hard and as gentle a woman as I ever hope to meet; the son who had invited me; the English boy; and Lorenzo, the hired man, with the most beautiful smile that I've ever seen. We had beans for supper.

All during the meal, the mother apologized for not having the Ritz hotel niceties of cutlery and service. She explained that they couldn't afford to buy new stuff now, all they could buy were the essentials. I'll take the essentials and let the Ritz wait.

After the meal we went into the living room. The old man sat on the sofa and leaned back. He was going to tell a story.

Northwest Passage
"One of my great grandfathers

had a nephew who made quite a name for himself as an Indian fighter," he said.

"Who was he?" I inquired.

"He was Major Rogers, and I'll tell you about him and about his rangers — Rogers' Rangers, they were called." He went into a story that is too well-known now for me to repeat it here. This old man told me the tales of Rogers that Kenneth Roberts dealt with in his book "Northwest Passage." There was a movie of the same name with Spencer Tracy playing the role of the Major. It was the most amazing experience to watch this old lad, gesticulating with his almost crippled hands, and telling a story that he had handed down to him from his father. The essentials of his story and that of Kenneth Roberts were the same.

He told me another incident involving Rogers. Rogers was alone in the woods and noticed five Indians. They didn't see him, but soon would. The weapon he carried had to be reloaded, of course, after each discharge. Rogers got his powder and shot ready. He fired one shot and got one Indian. The others were surprised, they could not tell where the shot came from. Before they could recover, Rogers had reloaded and fired. The three remaining Indians raced for the place where he was hiding. He just had time to reload hastily and fire when they were upon him. He took to his heels with two redskins behind him. Through bush and over beaver meadows they raced, until they came to a fairly high cliff overhanging a shallow stream. Rogers jumped and raced on. The Indians refused to jump.

I've seen the cliff and baby, I'd hate to jump it!
There were other stories but I cannot relate them now. There were people who had struggled to live in the ancestry of this man, people who had made something of the country they found. And their descendants, faced now with different troubles, will pioneer in new ways and make life worthwhile. Some future grandson will have other stories to tell.

These people were real. They go on. Farmers? Count me in. I went back to my boardinghouse feeling that I would like to meet that sophisticated lady again and tell her a few things.

And so.
"Look here, Officer, somebody has stolen my car."
"Where did you leave it?"
"I parked it right here an hour ago."

"You did, huh? Well, brother you're doggoned lucky it's stolen. This spot is no more than ten feet from a fire plug, on the wrong side of a one-way street, and right in front of the sign that says, 'No Parking At Any Time!'"

—Daily Athenaeum.

Shep: "Why is the black crepe on the door? Is somebody dead?"
Paul: "That's no crepe, that's my room-mate's towel."

—Queen's Journal.

The weary justice said, "Can't this case be settled out of court?"
"Jes' what we's trying to do, you honour, when the policeman interfered."

—Silhouette.



Agamemnon, sitting in his wooden horse, smoked Picobac to make the Trojans come across.

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COMPETITORS BUSY TRAINING FOR INTERCOMPANY TRACK AND FIELD MEET ON FRIDAY

thermals by pope

This week we should offer a resume of the activities of the past summer and present some statement of what the club hopes to do during the coming year. To attempt such a thing, would be very much like trying to write a four-volume edition of a novel on the back of a postage stamp. So we shall concentrate on presenting a more or less coherent outline of events of the past, present and future and informing you of the time and place where the information may be obtained in much greater detail.

After college closed last summer we had, for the first time in many years, a working crew of club members who remained in the city after the end of the college year. We accordingly were able to continue as an active club right through the summer, and we set out with a great deal of zest and hopefulness.

As soon as the ground had hardened down, and fields were fit for flying, the club staged a precarious expedition into unexplored wilderness of Eastern Montreal, the expedition being made in darkness of night, and under conditions of the greatest secrecy, in order to prevent inquisitive policemen from discovering that the club which and the trailer for the primary machine were both without licences. And if only that had been our greatest hazard!

After part of a grand and glorious day of short primary hops in gusty weather at a small field north-east of the Botanical Gardens, the happy series of events was disastrously brought to an end when a guest at the field wiped a wing off the machine during a horrible take-off but not, we are happy to relate, before yours truly had had the first wincey launches of his career—and was thereby enabled to speak of the winch in the most gratifying and favourable terms for the remainder of the summer.

From then on a great deal of the club's activity was confined to the shop, where the new wing was being built, but members took time off to make a wonderfully informative trip to Elmira, New York, where they saw the American National Soaring Competitions. And later they acquired a new "Kirby Kite" from England. The Kite has since brought gasps of amazement from thousands of throats at Cartierville during the summer, and as a comment on the quality of the machine we might remark that a homemade kite at an American competition drew from a commentator a description as being the most beautiful machine at the meet. A comment like this made by an American and concerning a machine of foreign design needs no elaboration to cause the reader to realize how well it must have been deserved. The kite is, without doubt, an extremely beautiful aircraft and its flying qualities, at least as demonstrated in the hands of the club instructor, are extremely good.

The wing for the primary trainer was finally completed some two months ago and the machine was flown at Cartierville with much jubilation for several week-ends until a second injury to the same wing put it back in the shop. The wing has since been rebuilt and the machine is now very nearly ready for flying again, and we look forward with childish eagerness to repeating the thrill of our first really high launch.

Each year sees the club better equipped and with a more experienced

DR. JAMES OFFICIATES

Many More Entries Expected Before Deadline

ALL OFFICIALS LISTED

Each Participant Helps Company Gain Two Points

There are still many entries expected for the Intercompany Track-Meet which is to be held on Friday, October 18th, on the Molson-Stadium starting at 2.15 p.m. Since all lectures will be cancelled on Sports Day a good turnout of competitors and spectators is expected. The beginning of the season gives equal chances to all and, again, remember that each participant gains two points for his company. Not the crack sprinter alone will win the event; it is the collective entry with a good average that will decide the meeting. Therefore, all interested are urged to sign the lists.

More Entries Expected

Post-entries are O.K. but the managers would appreciate it if entries were made at the Gymnasium in the Locker-room. There is particularly a shortage of entries in Javelin, Shot Put and Discus; it is hoped that more will turn out.

Field Events Open

This year's Intercompany-Track-Meet is scheduled to start on Friday afternoon at 2.15, with Discus, Hurdles and Shot Put as first events of the day. The meet takes place under the patronage of Principal Dr. F. Cyril James, who also has agreed to be Honorary Referee. The acting officials include Col. J. M. Morris, Dr. J. C. Simpson, Dr. F. J. Tees as Referee, Dr. A. S. Lamb and F. M. Van Wagner as Directors, and Hay Finlay and Em. Orlick as Clerks of Course.

As Judges the following will officiate: Judges of Track, Major J. C. Kemp (Chief), Capt. H. S. L. Brown, J. W. Davies, Major A. T. Field, Major J. A. de Lalanne, H. R. Little, J. L. O'Brien, Capt. C. R. Payan.

Judges of Jumps: E. A. Cushing (Chief), Prof. G. J. Dodd, Prof. R. Del. French, Lieut. E. L. Ginn.

Judges of Weights: Lt-Col. N. B. MacLean (Chief), 2nd Lieut. G. L. Drysdale, Prof. A. J. Kelly, Prof. H. E. Reilly, Lieut. M. A. Ross, Prof. F. M. Wood.

Dean E. Brown will be in charge of the Timekeeping, with Prof. C. H. Carruthers, Lieut. G. A. McVey, C. A. Morrison, assisting.

G. H. Fletcher will be Chief Scorer, Lieut. R. M. Calder, 2nd Lieut. W. A. Clark, 2nd Lieut. C. F. Carley, G. C. McDonald, C. Frankton, T. H. Matthews as assistants.

As Inspectors J. C. G. Young, J. J. Stewart, R. G. Townsend, N. F. Retallack, and D. Armstrong are going to officiate.

C. W. L. Horn will be the Starter, Dr. F. G. Pedley as Field Doctor will take care of the sick and Announcer L. Forth will keep the meet going. The Managers R. H. Stevenson and A. S. LeMesurier are using all their skill to render the meet a successful one.

Last Lap Training.

There are still two more afternoons for all those who wish to get into shape. Necessary equipment will be handed out in the Field House today from 2-6 p.m. and tomorrow afternoon from 2-5.30 p.m. All interested are urged to take advantage of the facilities available to competitors.

SQUASH NOTICE

Ken Chantler, Squash pro. of the Montreal Squash Club, will be at the Gymnasium tonight at 7.30 for the purpose of giving instruction to all those interested.

MFC Hilites

By L. B. and A. C.

There are no Redmen in the Realm of Football this fall. This is a fact well-known and much-bewailed by all McGill enthusiasts. However, the picture is not so dark as at first it might appear, for there is still a local team to stand up and cheer for these crisp Saturday afternoons.

Team Improves

This fall McGill students are guests of the Montreal Football Club (M.F.C.) at all its home games, which are played at Molson Stadium. On Sat. 5th Oct., they availed themselves of this opportunity to the number of 800 strong, and were treated to a real football match. True, the play was loose at times, but fumbles are to be expected in early season games, and the calibre of play should be first rate when Hamilton Tigers play here on October 26th.

Last night, under the lights, Molson Stadium rocked to the howls of Davie (Jumbo) Ryan and the flying feet of Tommy Burns. Undaunted by their two initial setbacks, nearly thirty stalwarts raced enthusiastically through their drill. After the practice Coach Bill Hughes promised that his team would show much better form in Hamilton this Saturday. He proved the good sportsman that he is by offering no excuses for his losses to Toronto and Ottawa, but seemed confident of success against Hamilton in the coming home-and-home series.

Possible Practice Against McGill Team.

"Pop" as he is known to his players, voiced appreciation for the support lent him by the students in the first game, and looked forward to seeing (and hearing) even more of them at the games which are to come. He also issued an invitation to a team from the McGill Inter-company League to work out against the Big club in some of its evening

R.V.C. Sports

Tennis: The tennis journey is well under way and the deadline for the first round has been set for Thursday. This time limit is definite and will not be extended any further and all those who do not complete their games will be defaulted. If there is any difficulty in securing balls they may be found in the Athletic Office in R.V.C.

R.V.C. Ski House: This year the R.V.C.-ites have their own ski house and thus will be enabled to spend every week-end up north. It is a very spacious domicile and will accommodate 12 quite comfortably at one time. Moreover it has one of the largest stoves in the Laurentians with a typical French Canadian to take care of it. The new mansion is situated at St. Adele-en-bas about eight hundred yards south of the main road. Besides all the aforementioned luxuries the house has electricity and running water.

Swimming: A new swimming club will be formed by the co-eds this year. All those interested are asked to sign the list posted in R.V.C. Watch this column for further notices.

Squash: The co-eds have secured the use of the Squash Courts in the Sir Arthur Currie Memorial Gymnasium and Armory on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. All co-eds who are interested in playing the game are requested to add their names to the list in R.V.C. as soon as possible. It is hoped that the tourney will get under way in the very near future.

Record Number Enter Golfers' Meet to Be Held at Islesmere

A record entry of fifty golfers is scheduled to meet at the Islesmere golf course on Sports Day, Friday, October 18, to compete for the championship of McGill University. This competition will consist of thirty-six hole medal play, with the championship going to the low gross scorer. The winner will have his name engraved on the B. J. Harrington Trophy, and will also receive a handsome shield for himself. Those who are unable to find transportation will be picked up in front of the Arts Building on Friday morning between 8.30-8.45 A.M. The first threesome will tee off at 9.30 sharp.

The draw follows:

9.30—H. B. Parlee, Jim Doyle, E. M. Peto.
9.35—Bill Payson, Jack McDannet, Bill Stronach.
9.40—Gordon Young, Fred Davies, P. D. MacNaughton.

9.45—Robert A. Reid, R. P. Tawse, F. Palmer.
9.50—R. R. Johnston, J. Peacock, M. G. Johnston.
9.55—R. E. Stoppes, W. Epply, A. Glen.
10.00—C. Bronstetter, Guy Lefavre, Bill Whittaker.
10.05—R. E. Wyber, M. Pare, E. G. Whittaker.
10.10—Ian Glen, A. C. Steele, A. H. MacOdrum.
10.15—Walter Johnson, Stewart Cockfield, Earl Smith.
10.20—A. Ortega, J. S. Thomson, C. Bayley.
10.25—Don Diplock, Bob Stronach, Earl Morris.
10.30—W. Taylor, Angus Wilson, A. Langevin.
10.35—George Swinton, Vincent Young, Jack Wilson.
10.40—T. J. Connan, A. V. Mills, C. L. Church.
10.45—Jules Chartier, Bill MacDonald, Jack Keay.

INTRAMURAL

Sports Representatives have been appointed for "C", "D" and "E" companies in the McGill Reserve Training Corps as follows:

Platoon No. 11 L. R. Nussbaum
" " 12 R. K. Eadie
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" " 15 D. E. Douglas
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" " 19 J. Kenny
" " 20 A. P. Earle
" " 21 D. L. Lindsay
" " 22 L. P. Kenyon
" " 23 P. B. Barry
" " 24 J. C. H. Porter
" " 25 R. Tetrault

Will all intending athletic participants indicate their particular interests to their representatives so that no time may be lost in the organizing of teams for the various sports.

No less than 25 men responded to the call for Squad Leaders which appeared in the Daily at the end of last week. Everyone who 'reported for duty' has had some experience in physical education activities and many are quite skilled as Gymnasts and P.T. leaders. The men hail from all parts of Canada and include representatives from each of the coastal Provinces. One man even brings with him experience reaped as an active participant in the world-famous Sokol Movement of Czechoslovakia.

The first practice of the Squad Leaders Corps has been called for tomorrow afternoon at 6.00 p.m. All those who can make it at 5.00 p.m. are asked to do so since Instructors will be on hand from 5 to 7 p.m. Members of the Corps are requested to bring running shoes and gym togs and to report at the 'Double Squash Court' dressed for action.

Those whose time-tables prevent them from making an appearance are asked to watch the Daily for further notices. Regular practice periods are to be scheduled as soon as suitable times can be agreed upon.

The following men are particularly urged to be present: Paul Byers, Dick Stevenson, Norman Taylor, Ernest Skutezky, Hyman Hershman, Hammie McClymont, Ross McConnell, Stanley Knox, Warren Cannell, E. G. Mahon, S. Dembicki, Wm. Braye, A. Henderson, W. Weber, Blake Robinson, Guy Royer, John Simpson, Bob Forrester, David Singerman, Ronald Bayne, Robert Collier, Basil Burgess, F. A. Horning, Leonard McCallum, G. A. Leonards and Al Pue Gilchrist.

Any who have not yet signed up and wish to do so are asked to get in touch with Em Orlick at the Athletic Office as soon as possible or to report at the practice tomorrow night.

For the benefit of those who missed the earlier announcement about the Squad Leaders, this group is open to anyone who is interested in Gymnastics, Physical Training or Recreational Activities from the standpoint of giving leadership. Some previous experience in a high-school, college, or association leaders corps is of advantage but not necessary. The Squad will meet regularly each week and will receive a thorough training in all phases of the P.T. work to be given to the various Companies of the McGill Reserve Battalion. As soon as they prove themselves to be adequately qualified they will receive the special P.T. Crest and will be called upon to assist the Instructors with the Company Physical Training Program.

It is the hope of those in charge that there will be 5 or 6 Squad Leaders in each Platoon. This is a rather large number to fill so students who are at all interested are urged to turn out and do their part.

(INTER-COMPANY SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT)

Entries for the Inter-Company Softball Tournament which is to (Continued on Page Four)

Sports Notices

GLIDING CLUB

The first general meeting of the year will be held in the ballroom of the McGill Union on Thursday evening of this week at 8 p.m. The plans for the coming season will be announced and the sport itself explained to newcomers. Motion pictures will be shown of the Club's activities, of the National Soaring Competitions at Elmira, New York, and of gliding in other countries. There will be no admission charge.

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GLIDING CLUB OPENS NEW FLYING SEASON

The McGill Gliding Club is formally opening its thirteenth college season of flight and construction training with its annual general meeting at 8 o'clock in the McGill Union Ballroom on Thursday evening of this week.

This meeting has become a regular club feature at the beginning of each college year, and is held for the purpose of introducing the sport to university people to whom it is not already familiar. It will consist of a review of the summer activities, an outline of the program as planned for the coming year, an introductory description of the sport, and a screening of motion pictures showing all phases of it.

Movies Featured.

These films include a complete coverage of flying activities at McGill as well as scenes at Elmira, New York—known as the "soaring centre of America"—which were taken during a trip by members of the McGill club to the Elmira (Continued on Page Four)

WAR CAUSES SALE OF WESTERN ARENA

Football Enthusiasts Gloomy as Inter-Collegiate Activities Abandoned

One of the largest and finest football arenas in Western Canada, the University of Western Ontario Stadium, is up for sale to-day, it is learned authoritatively here. Military necessity coupled with a dearth of football enthusiasts simplified the decision to abandon the field, but the sight of marching squads will hardly compensate the Ontario athletic fans for the snappy passes and grim huddles that formerly greeted their critical eyes. The death blow to Mid-Western inter-collegiate football is swift and devastating.

The transformation will be complete. The entire lower campus is to be turned over to the government as a military training site while the showers and lockers in the field house will be used by troops of the C.A.S.F. and C.O.T.C. The upper campus is the only bit of land reserved for exhibition games

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By Reuben Frank
(A C.U.P. Feature)

Meet the Girls.

FLUSHING: "Yes sir, yes sir! Here's something you always wanted to do. Knock the girl out of bed. Yes sir, it's three shots for a dime. It's De-Bunk-Her!"

Throwing a girl out of bed is certainly more fun than hitting a nigger in the eye, but the carnival spirit is gone from the Fair. The people are blasé since this attraction was splashed by one of the picture magazines, and, anyway, de-bunk-ing is essentially a spectator sport. So the crowd waits around until some jovial inebriate or rollicking man of the sea comes up and buys a dollar's worth of missiles. Usually, he insists on a smile from the girls, but they just stick their tongues out and go back to their books. One of them was reading *New England: Indian Summer*. The dollar is exhausted and the crowd disperses.

The Great White Way is full of girls. As a matter of fact, the feminine torso becomes slightly boring, even on a press pass. Here right opposite the American Jubilee is the White Way Casino, featuring dances of all the nations, where former burlesque chorines from Brooklyn become a terepcorean League of Nations. Last year the Casino featured Miss Rosita Royce, whose trained doves did the dirty work for her. But the management wanted her to do twelve-a-day on Saturdays and Sundays instead of the usual eight. Being a lover of man's dumb friends, Miss Royce resigned rather than subject her feathered creatures to the task of acting as her personal maids a dozen times a day.

So this year it's Tirza and her wine dance. It seems that at a certain level which the Athenians dedicated to Bacchus, one young lady fell so violently in love with the conception of the god of the grape that she hurled herself into the fountain and was, naturally, drowned. I think the proceeding was rather silly, but it seems old Bac was more kindly disposed and every night at midnight the fountain runs wine and the silly young lady dances about. Where the strip-tease fits in is something you have to see to believe.

Have some Salvador Dali. At the show known as 20,000 Legs Under the Sea, the artistic piece de resistance of the Fair is on view. The exhibit, which will attract the mob only because of a sparsely-clad (in twigs) damsel, is a masterpiece of delirium tremens. It is named the Bed of Venus, or something along that line, and little Miss Aphrodite is attended by a plaster female corpse stabbed through the heart with an umbrella, a strange head which is a photograph, and several animals which are not to be found in the Bronx Zoo.

The human participant in this tableau has no easy job of it. It would seem to us active mortals that just lying there sleeping for ten hours a day is little short of cushy, but last year's occupant of the bed of Venus complained that her continual recumbence flattened out her curves, which is no end of a tragedy. By the way, the show is called 20,000 Legs Under the Sea because there is one girl with two (2) legs swimming in the tank.

She swims quite well.

Outside, the man says, "Of course these girls aren't fully clad, but is there any man in this audience who objects? If there is, he had better go see a doctor. He's dead." And inside they take a girl and put her in a cake of ice, there to freeze. Misogynists flock to the place by thousands; imagine seeing a girl frozen in a cake of ice—but the catch is, after ten minutes they take her out. At the next Fair they shall beat them with whips.

But the same fifteen cents takes you (not me, I got in free) to a fan dance. There was an old fellow in a wheel chair there on Bennet, N.J. Day, and it seemed very much as if he would jump out of the chair, through the glass partition and fly to her arms. This would establish the Fair forever as some new type of healing shrine where all those who have a minimum of blood left can get a maximum of action out of it. This, however, is pure speculation, because the old guy stayed in his chair.

Far, far away, on the high plateau of the interior of Asia, is a quiet, strange and peaceful country. The inhabitants practise polygamy and polyandry, but they do not drink or play pool. They worship strangely and live very humble lives, these Tibetans, and are bound forever to their rocky wastes and their thin soil. The white man is not welcome in Tibet, but Mysterious Tibet at Cousin Grover's Carnival will open like a flower for twenty cents.

The Barker has a good line. In fact, he was voted the best at the

Fair. Against a background of pagodas, Buddhas, and mules winding their ways up mountain trails, he harangues the crowd. "And now, starting in just a few moments we have the Tibetan Passion Dance. We have here the most beautiful, the most exotic, the most exciting amatory aphrodisiacs—Say, listen, take that kid away from here. You ought to be ashamed of yourself. These girls will dance in the secret manner..."

Inside there is no Dalai Lama; no, not even a Panchen Lama. There's a gill laughing Buddha up front who looks rather silly, and a bronze bell, green with age, which they claim is genuine six hundred years old, no less. The "five hundred seats on the inside" turn out to be a few backless wooden benches which wouldn't seat five hundred inhabitants of Morris Gest's Midgettown, next door.

The program is opened by a svelte young lady in a black dress who comes out to make a speech. The way they cover up the crassness of life is something remarkable to behold, but Mysterious Tibet takes top honours over Rosita Royce or Salvador Dali. It seems that the Tibetan novitiates must spend a night resisting the sins of the flesh before they can become fully-fledged priests. The story takes about twenty minutes to tell, and the young lady rolls the words off her tongue as if she knew what they meant. But when the boys from Hackensack heckle her she loses her place and has to repeat the whole speech to herself until she comes to the part where she left off.

And then it's over. A brown-robed figure comes solemnly out and seats itself in meditation. Then they don't wear very much. The dancing becomes fantastically and there are two girls. You guessed it, fantastically and the music in the background is—take it easy now!—the Danse Macabre by Saint-Saëns. While these "amatory aphrodisiacs" strut their stuff, my neighbor turns to his pal and asks "What smells around here?" His pal answers, "Frank Buck's place is just around the corner."

So that's what it was.

thermals by pope

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lenced personnel. And since the which has proved itself so excellent and reliable, this coming year promises to far outstrip any record which has been set in the past for training, instruction and construction. We have no hesitation about making extravagant promises.

This is a sketchy story of a very eventful summer and a very meagre presentation of an extremely happy outlook, so we urge every one who has any interest in this sport to attend the first general meeting of the club on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock in the McGill Union Ballroom. Some of the same ground may be covered, but far more thoroughly than we have been able to do here, and a series of motion pictures will be shown of the club's activities in training, the trip to Elmore and performance of the beautiful new Kite. Besides this, excellent commercial films on gliding will be shown. Being broke is no excuse for not attending because there will be no charge for admission, so come and bring as many people as you like and ask as many questions as you like. Curiosity is encouraging.

GLIDING CLUB OPENS NEW FLYING SEASON

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site during the American National Soaring Competitions. These films include scenes showing the McGill club's new sailplane, the Kirby "Kite," acquired during the summer, in flight at the new site—the Curtiss-Reid Airport at Cartierville, and a commercial film showing soaring in England.

The McGill Gliding Club, formerly known as the McGill University Flying Club, is the only club of its kind among Canadian colleges. It holds first place as the oldest and largest gliding club established in Canada, and has an enviable record for safe flying and technical knowledge among its members. Equipment consists, among other things, of a fully equipped shop on University Street, trailers and tow cars for all machines, a new and rigorously tested winch for launching, and training and soaring

gliders for a full and complete training schedule.

Suitable Site Found

The difficulty which has been a past bugbear with the club—the securing of a suitable site for training operations—has been satisfactorily solved by the securing of permission for the use of the Curtiss-Reid Airport, and the club instructor, who has acted as resident instructor-manager at the second largest gliding club in Great Britain, is prepared to conduct a complete training and construction schedule.

The meeting on Thursday evening will serve to introduce the club to strangers to the University, and at the same time provide a beginning for what is expected to be the most active season in the history of the club, since it is in a better position to offer better and more convenient training than ever before, now that the field is within easy reach of the centre of the city. Admission to the meeting will be free, and those who wish to apply for membership may do so conveniently at this time. All who wish to learn something of the sport will be welcome to attend. Anyone wishing other information may write the secretary at the Engineering Building or telephone ELwood 7271.

MFC Hilites

By L. B. and A. C.

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practices. His belief was that both teams might thus sharpen up both their defensive and their offensive play.

McGill's football mentor, Doug Kerr, when interviewed a short time later, stated that such practices were out of the question just at this time, since his men have not yet had heavy drill. However, in about a week's time such practices might be arranged, if a sufficient number of the inter-company players might be desirous of engaging in scrimmage with the senior squad. This was to be decided by the student gridders themselves, Coach Kerr stated.

Team Deserves Support.

All in all, if the dash and spirit shown at last night's drill by Messrs. Burns, Seagriff, Ryan, and company is any indication of what the Hamilton Tigers can expect this Saturday afternoon, the Montreal boys stand a fine chance of returning home with two points on the win side of their ledger. Another win against the same club in the return game would put our M.F.C. right into the thick of the race, and make a play-off position almost a certainty.

We would just remind our readers that Montreal is fighting hard to climb back to the level once enjoyed by local teams in Eastern football. They have been twice beaten to date this fall, but on both occasions showed that they were fighters to the last whistle. Such a team deserves support regardless of results. However, we are calling them to take two games from the Tigers, and, in closing, call on the football-conscious students of McGill to get out and support a game and fighting team on Saturday, 26th October, when they make their next home appearance, in the return game with the Hamilton Tigers.

R.V.C. Sports

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and everyone interested is urged to consult their Daily regularly for further news about squash.

Fencing: This year Margo Van Reet the Individual Champion of the R.V.C. Fencing club will again take over the helm of the Fencing Club. A list has already been posted in R.V.C. and so far quite a number of aspiring fencers have put up their names. It is hoped that the Annual Tournament will get under way some time next week with the usual large turnout that has been a feature of R.V.C. fencing in the past.

Golf: A new Golf Club is to be formed by the coeds this year and all those interested are asked to sign the list posted in R.V.C. For further news read the Daily, because a tournament will be held in the near future if there are enough names.

Archery: The Annual Telegraph Archery Meet will be held this week, and all those who are interested are requested to get in touch with Gladys Bean the Archery Manager as soon as possible. This journey is an outdoor event which is held at Molson's Stadium with a group of aspiring Robin Hoods taking part. The results are then

sent out to the various Universities that are taking part. Annually this tournament has caused a great deal of interest amongst the R.V.C. lites and it is hoped that this year will prove no exception.

PROF. DUROURE DIES SUDDENLY

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Roure of Versailles, and Clementine (Hamelin) duRoure of Paris. He was educated at the Lycee Louis-le-grand and the Sorbonne, and was a graduate in Literature of the University of France.

Served with French Army.

He came to Canada in 1909, was a noted contributor to French reviews, and served in the French army with the rank of a Captain of infantry during the Great War. He fell into the hands of the Germans—severely wounded—and spent three years in German hospitals and prisoner camps until an exchange of prisoners brought him back to Paris. Here he served in the office of the General Staff until the close of the war. He was awarded the Cross of the Legion of Honour for his services.

He was unmarried and the surviving members of his family reside in France. His father was for many years secretary of finance in the City of Paris. Three of his brothers served in the last war and one was killed. The outbreak of this war found him filled with regret that his health would not permit him to join actively in the defence of his country.

LIFE IN LABRADOR

doctor was crossing from England as a young man, he related, the ship's cricket-ball fell overboard. The young Grenfell dived overboard—to retrieve the ball!

Another tale admirers of the great doctor love to tell is that of his adventure on an ice-pan. Crossing Hare-Bay with a dog-team to an urgent case, Sir Wilfred was marooned on an ice-floe when the ice cracked. For days he lived on that pan as it floated seawards, killing and skinning his dogs, one by one, eating their flesh, and clothing himself in the hides, until he was rescued by a passing ship. Life is equally adventurous for all workers at the missions. Ashdown tells of a nurse who had to guide a team of huskies herself after her guide and driver was taken with a fainting fit; nurses and doctors alike help in harvesting the hay around the hospitals.

From the one small hospital started by Sir Wilfred have grown five hospitals, three nursing stations, an orphanage and two schools. On the workers in all these, says Ashdown, Grenfell exerted as great an influence as on the lives of the natives—who, incidentally, object to being classed as "natives." Sir Wilfred's spirit of self-sacrifice is infused in the lives of all the helpers. Many college students, Canadian and American, students do volunteer work in summertime. Among the staff are workers from England, Canada, Norway, Germany, all united in the selfless spirit of Sir Wilfred Grenfell.

"It must have been wonderful for him to compare that last trip of his to the first one he made; he could hardly have hoped, when he set out on the tub, St. Albert, that his action in facing hardships would bear such fruit; make life for the people so easy in comparison. When he started, he was against the world; now all the world is behind him, though he is dead."

It is especially important, Ashdown stated, that the work be carried on, especially when American boats can no longer bring in supplies, and war charities attract the interest of most charitable people.

"Are you going back some time?" we asked. "Oh yes!" came the answer.

SIROIS REPORT TALK GIVEN BY PROF. MARSH

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important in peace-time, it is all the more important during time of war," he stated. For we should get our house in order now, before the strains and stress of post-war economy. "In fact we may even consider such a step as a definite contribution to the war effort, if we stop to consider the security it implies."

Especially, insisted Professor Marsh, should no time be lost in instituting the last-mentioned aspect of the report, the idea of a Dominion-Provincial Conference. Such a conference, he said, should meet at the most convenient moment to discuss the report itself.

Going on to discuss findings of the report as a possible threat to



(Letters to the Editor must be accompanied in each case by the name and address of the sender to show the author's good faith, but anonymity will be respected on request. Letters should be typewritten whenever possible.)

Women Do Care.

The Editor, McGill Daily.

Dear Sir,—Last Tuesday there appeared in your columns a biting editorial entitled "Women Don't Care." In it we were told of the lack of interest shown by women students in the election of class officers.

I would like to point out that on election day, Friday, October 11, the polls were open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. only. During this time it was impossible for those women in Science who had four consecutive lectures to go up to the Arts Building to vote. No doubt this applies to many women students in other faculties. May I suggest that in the future the polls remain open until 2 p.m., so that we may show that we do care.

Yours truly,

GERALDINE HAMLET,

B.Sc.2.

Nomination Thanks.

The Editor, McGill Daily.

Sir,—I should like to take this opportunity to thank those who so kindly nominated and elected me as president of second year R.V.C. I shall do my best to carry out my duties as well as possible.

Sincerely,

RUTH HILL.

The Editor, McGill Daily.

Dear Sir,—May I through the medium of your column thank those who nominated and supported me in Friday's elections.

I should also like to extend my hearty congratulations to Cynthia Percy who was elected vice-president of the R.V.C. '42.

Yours sincerely,

JUDITH JAFFE.

the autonomy of certain provinces, he declared that the issue of centralization as opposed to decentralization no longer existed. "Rather must we co-ordinate both in order to exist as a nation."

One of the major reasons for the existence of the Commission is, he stated, the enormous capacity of Canadians for doing nothing. Now we must utilize the results to re-assume a position of a modern state. Our sense of social responsibility should progress beyond the age of the ox-cart. Certainly the half-million dollars expended upon the Commission should not have been spent in vain.

We have these certain fundamental things to consider, Professor Marsh concluded, before thinking of such major changes in our economy as Socialism and other modern doctrines.

Comment From Columbia

By Henry W. Patterson.

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away. But we managed to get some interesting stories, especially one in which it was revealed that the personnel of the Swiss exhibit all came from the "icy peaks" of the Bronx.

Propaganda.

Ask me what I think of the youth of America is most afraid of today, and I should answer... of propaganda. The futility of the "war to end war" is indelible in their minds. A rather sinister meaning has been given to the word "propaganda" in recent years; all too often a statement on our personal side of the case is a legitimate argument, but a statement on the other side we label propaganda. There is no way of advancing a cause except through propaganda, whether this is carried on in the press or in speeches or in private conversation. But there are two types of propaganda: one honest, the other dishonest. One is clean and frank; the other is veiled and masks subversive interests. In the United States today there is isolationist propaganda and there is participation propaganda; there is the propaganda of belligerent nations, some of it undisguised, some of it subtle and unapparent; and finally, there is the propaganda of other interest groups, such as that of the comrades from Moscow.

The poor, bewildered American is thus bombarded from all sides, fight and perhaps to die, if it is merely to win the war. He wants to win the peace!

Men at grips with war have rationalized: "Mine is not to reason why; mine is but to do and die."

Financial Reports

WOMEN'S UNION OF MCGILL UNIVERSITY

BALANCE SHEET AS AT JUNE 30th, 1940

ASSETS	
CASH IN BANK:	
Savings Account	\$ 393.00
Current Account	221.36
	\$ 614.36
INVESTMENTS—AT COST:	
\$2,000.00 Dominion of Canada 4½% Bond, due November 1, 1959	\$2,176.25
\$1,000.00 Dominion of Canada 3¼% Bond, due June 1, 1965	1,010.00
	\$3,186.25
OFFICE FURNITURE—AT COST	55.08
	\$3,855.69
LIABILITIES	
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS:	
Balance—June 30, 1939	\$3,466.32
ADD:	
Adjustments in respect of prior year	\$ 34.16
Excess of Income over Expenditures for the year ended June 30, 1940	355.21
	\$ 389.37
	\$3,855.69

APPROVED:

ELEANOR G. HUNTER, President.

MARGUERITE E. HEASLEY, Treasurer.

TO THE PRESIDENT.

WOMEN'S UNION OF MCGILL UNIVERSITY.

The above accounts have been audited with approved vouchers. I obtained confirmation of the Cash in Bank at June 30th, 1940, and verified the Investments by inspection, on September 16th, 1940, at the Royal Bank of Canada, Sherbrooke and Bleury Streets, Montreal, Que.

EDWARD TIGHE, Chartered Accountant.

Montreal, Que., September 17, 1940.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1940

INCOME	
McGill University Fees collected from Women Undergraduates for the Session 1939-1940	\$1,468.75
Fees collected from Partial Students for the Session 1939-1940	17.50
Sale of Tickets for Buffet Supper	84.30
Sale of Tickets for Freshie Dinner	38.25
Sale of Tickets for Spinners' Spree	231.25
Interest on Dominion of Canada Bonds	122.50
Bank Interest on Savings Account	.47
	\$1,963.02
EXPENDITURES	
Grant to Royal Victoria College Historical Club	\$ 35.00
Grant to La Societe Francaise de McGill University	44.00
Grant to McGill Women's Medical Society	45.00
Grant to Women's Debating Union of Royal Victoria College	22.65
Grant to School of Graduate Nurses of McGill University	50.00
Grant to Science Women's Club	42.00
Grant to Royal Victoria College Glee Club	75.00
Grant to "Programme" Committee	\$ 30.00
Less Refund	5.13
	24.87
Grant to Senior Dinner Committee	117.50
Donation to "The Forge"	10.00
Officers' Photographs, Framing, etc.	7.93
Class Pictures	20.00
Expenses of Buffet Supper	157.50
Expenses of Freshie Entertainment	151.52
Expenses of Spinners' Spree	233.43
Expenses of Tea for Mrs. Grant	101.14
Expenses of Royal Victoria College Common Room	125.40
Montreal Youth Council Registration Fee	7.50
Expenses of Delegate to Canadian Students' Assembly	25.00
Printing	14.88
Advertising	30.80
Honorarium	200.00
Audit Fee	15.00
General Expenses	27.69
	\$1,607.81
EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR TRANSFERRED TO ACCUMULATED SURPLUS	355.21
	\$1,963.02

INTRAMURAL

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take place on Sports Day are beginning to come in and it looks as though every Company plus the Independents will be well represented in Friday's affair.

The schedule of Games is as follows:

(First Round)

9.00 a.m.—"A" Company vs. "C" Company
10.00 a.m.—"B" Company vs. "D" Company
11.00 a.m.—"E" Company vs. The Independents

(Second Round)

1.00 p.m.—(The Winner of 1st. game) vs. (The Winner of 2nd game)
2.00 p.m.—(The Winner of 3rd game) vs. ("F" Company)

(Finals)

3.00 p.m.—The two teams which survive the Second Round will meet each other for the Inter-Company Championship. Should either team desire it, a half-hour rest period can be called for immediately following the last game in the second round.

Note: Under the Inter-Company Point-Participation Scheme points will be awarded as follows:

5 points for each game played.
10 points for each game won.
25 points for tournament winner.
10 points for tournament runner-up.

If a Company forfeits a game to an opponent it shall have the number of points that it would have received if the game had been won. Games must be started on time. Should a team fail to field a team within fifteen minutes of the time game is called that team shall lose the game by default (provided of course that the other team has a full turn out).

A game will constitute 5 complete innings in the First and Second Rounds and 7 innings only in the Finals.

All line-ups should be in the hands of Em Orlick at the Athletic Office by Thursday at 8.00 p.m. Company and Platoon Sports representatives are urged to see that their Company is represented, and that their men turn out on time for the games.

and consciously or unconsciously, he rejects or accepts. This is his opinion shaped in the light of his past experience. He does not want to make a mistake; he does not want to give up home and job to

We have long accepted this simple philosophy. In a way it has the mark of courage. Yet how much more difficult it is to reason why, than to go out blind and unquestioning to do and die! With the shadow of war hovering ominously near, the youth of America is choosing the more difficult way. They want to be assured that, when and if the conflict spreads to them, they will be fighting for something they can honestly feel is of more importance to them than life itself. They have two loves—their life and their country. They want to live; existing in a hell of agony and blood "over there" is not living. And yet if they decide that that is their first line of defence, they will not lag. Today they watch their leaders with great anxiety, praying that there will be no fatal mistake.

A thought for the week...

Don't let your college-work interfere with your education. (I should be glad to hear from both of my readers; please address correspondence to 313 Farnald Hall, Columbia University, New York City, New York, U.S.A.)

NOTICES

Lost

A plain silver watch on the campus last week. Finder please get in touch with Daphne Martin, LA. 2736.

Lost

A brown fall overcoat in the Chemistry Building, or Redpath Library. REWARD. David M. Armstrong, EL. 0636.

Lost

A four-skinned Kalinski neck-piece on Saturday night in the vicinity of University street or Ritz-Carlton Hotel. Reward. DEXter 1763.

Found

A tooled leather purse with registration card. Loser may collect same at the Union Truck Shop.

Engineering Undergraduates Society.

Nominations are being called for the following positions—Secretary and Treasurer. There must be 25 signatures to each nomination.

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